



January 23, 2019

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Re: Final Report of the Working Group on Campus Policy Governing PDST for Concurrent Degree Programs

Dear Linda,

Thank you to you, your co-chair, Hugh Graham, and the working group for preparing and submitting the report on Campus Policy Governing PDST for Concurrent Degree Programs to me in December 2018. Members of the working group presented a thorough analysis of current practices for assessing PDST for concurrent degree programs and made thoughtful recommendations for a more equitable, streamlined set of policies and practices for the future.

I have reviewed your recommendations as summarized below and accept them as outlined.

1. Adopt a model of assessing Professional Degree Supplemental Tuition (PDST) for concurrent degree programs (CDPs) based on the following: students will be assessed the entire PDST of any program that charges it (e.g., two years of MBA PDST and two years of MPH PDST), but only pay tuition and non-resident supplemental tuition (NRST) for the semesters in which they enroll. Deans of individual programs who do not wish to charge this full amount can offer a lower PDST than the amount for the entire program. This needs to be done in consultation with the dean of the other program.
2. All students enrolled in the same CDP should pay the same amount of PDST fees, regardless of when they enroll in it.
3. Standardize when students may enroll in a CDP during their academic career. Implement the new financial model (following appropriate consultation and approval) in Fall 2020.
4. Follow existing campus practice and grandfather students who are currently enrolled in approved CDPs. Eliminate the reduction in PDST for students who are not enrolled in approved CDPs as of Fall 2019 (following appropriate consultation, approval, and communication).
5. Program the split of PDST revenue due to each program into the Student Information System (this must be done as a percentage).
6. Post a fee schedule for all CDPs on the Office of the Registrar's website annually.

Thank you for your leadership in addressing our policies and practices for how to assess PDST for concurrent degree program and for producing a set of useful recommendations. I know that getting to consensus was not easy, but I appreciate your efforts. Please extend my appreciation to the members of the working group and proceed with implementation of the recommendations.

Sincerely,



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